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AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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SUBJECT: FRG REPRESENTATION OF USG INTERESTS IN UGANDA

1. THIS AFTERNOON OSEKU, FON MIN PROTOCOL CHIEF, ASKED US BY PHONE FOR LIST OF AMERICAN MISSIONARIES IN UGANDA AND THEIR LOCATIONS. WE COMPLIED.

2. FOUR OF US STILL REMAINING (RINGDAHL, CANNING AND PATLA FLEW TO NAIROBI TONIGHT) WATCHED TV NEWS TOGETHER. IT WAS THE LONGEST TV NEWS PROGRAM IN MEMORY AND CONTAINED TWO LENGTHY DIATRIBES AGAINST THE U.S. STIMULATED BY CLOSURE OF OUR EMBASSY. FIRST WAS A REPORT OF A SPEECH GIVEN BY GENERAL AMIN THIS MORNING TO MILITARY POLICE, STATE RESEARCH OFFICE PERSONNEL AND OTHER MILITARY TYPES AT MAKINDYE. SECOND WAS ATTRIBUTED TO A "GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN."

3. BOTH WERE DISJOINTED, SELF-CONTRADICTORY AND NOT EASILY SORTED OUT, BUT FOLLOWING ARE MAJOR POINTS AFFECTING US. AMIN SAID THE AMERICANS AT THE EMBASSY ARE LEAVING
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BECAUSE THEY COULD NO LONGER CARRY ON THEIR SPYING ACTIVITIES

IN UGANDA. HE SAID THE GOU HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT THE WEST GERMANS ARE TAKING OVER OUR INTERESTS AND THEY WOULD BE WATCHED VERY CLOSELY BECAUSE IT IS WELL KNOWN THAT ANYONE WHO TAKES OVER FROM US IS A "NOTED SABOTEUR." AMIN SAID THAT THE GOU MIGHT IN RESPONSE REDUCE ITS EMBASSY STAFF IN WASHINGTON AND MIGHT LEAVE ONLY A "PRIVATE SOLDIER" IN CHARGE OF UGANDAN INTERESTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

4. THERE WAS A REPETITION OF THE PHONE-BUGGING INSTALLATION BUSINESS, IN COURSE OF WHICH AMIN SAID THAT "A MILLION DOLLARS" WORTH OF EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN FOUND IN THAT HOUSE. HE ALSO CHARGED THAT AMERICANS HAD COME HERE DISGUISED AS ISRAELIS AND THAT UGANDA HAD BEEN THE CENTER OF CIA AND ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES IN UGANDA.

5. ON MISSIONARIES, IT WAS SAID THAT THERE ARE NOW OVER 200 MISSIONARIES IN UGANDA, AND THEY ARE TO BE WATCHED VERY CLOSELY. IF THEY DO ANYTHING NON-RELIGIOUS, ACTION WILL BE TAKEN TO STOP THESE ACTIVITIES. THERE WERE 2000 AMERICANS IN UGANDA, BUT ONCE THE ECONOMIC WAR WAS DECLARED THEY FOUND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY OUT THEIR ACTIVITIES AND THEY LEFT. THEY IMPLANTED ALL SORTS OF SECTS, WHICH HAVE BEEN BANNED.

6. AMIN SAID THE SOONER THE AMERICANS AT THE EMBASSY GET OUT THE BETTER. (COMMENT: WE WOULDN'T AGREE MORE. END COMMENT.) HE CALLED DR. KISSINGER THE GREATEST ENEMY OF THE ARABS, AND A "CONFUSING AGENT" WHO HAD BEEN SENT TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE ARABS IN ORDER TO CONFUSE THEM.

7. ON UGANDAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON THE RSO SAID THAT HE WOULD REFUSE TO REOPEN IT UNTIL THE UNITED STATES HAS A NEW PRESIDENT AND A NEW GOVERNMENT. HE EXPECTED THAT THE USG WOULD ABIDE BY ARTICLE 45 OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION AND WOULD RESPECT THE PROPERTY OF UGANDA IN THE U.S.

8. ALSO ANNOUNCED WAS THE "RECALL" OF AMBASSADOR IBINGIRA FROM THE UGANDAN MISSION TO THE UN. HE IS TO BE REPLACED BY ONE KINENE(?), WHO SPEAKS SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES, INCLUDING CHINESE, SPANISH, ARABIC AND FRENCH AND WHO WILL THEREFORE BE A GREAT SUCCESS AT THE UN. KINENE WAS TO HAVE CONFIDENTIAL

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BEEN UGANDA'S AMBASSADOR TO THE CARIBBEAN STATES.

9. COMMENT: ALL OF THE ABOVE CAUSES CONCERN IN ONLY ONE FACET, NAMELY, THAT AMBASSADOR KOPF MAY DECIDE THAT THE CRITICISM OF THE FRG'S TAKING OVER OUR INTERESTS MEANS THE FRG SHOULD NOT DO SO, AND HE WILL ASK BONN FOR INSTRUCTIONS THAT HE SHOULD NOT SIGN THE "PROTOCOL DE REMISE" WITH ME TOMORROW. IT WAS FOR THAT REASON THAT I PHONED AF/E TONIGHT TO ASK THAT EMBASSY BONN

ASK THE FRG FOREIGN OFFICE TO PHONE AMBASSADOR KOPF SOONEST AND
TELL HIM TO GO AHEAD AND SIGN, PROVISIONALLY, TEMPORARILY OR
HOWEVER, BUT TO SIGN.

10. LAST WORD IN PARA FOUR ABOVE SHOULD BE "AFRICA"
VICE "UGANDA."
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